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Abilene Man Arrested for Violent Crime Spree

Abilene, Texas – On Monday, March 27, at approximately 9:51 p.m., Abilene Police responded to an injured subject call in the 1500 block of Sycamore Street. Police located a 50-year-old black male with apparent gunshot wounds to his left shoulder and right hand. This victim was transported to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries. Police learned that the victim was on his front porch when he was approached by an unknown, armed black male. The victim retreated inside his home and retrieved his firearm. When the victim returned to his front porch, the unknown male had come closer and was now near his front door. The two exchanged gunfire and the victim was struck multiple times. The unknown male then fled the scene.

At approximately 9:56 p.m., while Police were investigating the shooting, a nearby robbery call was received from the 1100 block of South 15th Street indicating that an unknown black male brandished a firearm and stole a silver 2001 Ford F250 from a 29-year-old Hispanic male before fleeing the scene. The victim was not harmed during the robbery.

At approximately 10:50 p.m., a robbery call was received from the 4500 block of Maple Street indicating that an unknown black male brandished a firearm and stole a silver 2022 Ford F250 from a 34-year-old white female before fleeing the scene. The victim was not harmed during the robbery. This vehicle was located a short time later in the 4300 block of Oldham Lane. While investigating this offense, Police located the original stolen vehicle nearby at South 27th Street and Maple Street. Both recovered vehicles were found to be unoccupied.

Detectives with the Major Investigations Bureau began investigating these incidents and developed leads that identified 26-year-old Ateh Boma as a person of interest. The Surveillance, Apprehension, and Tactics Team (S.A.T.T) located Boma on Tuesday, March 28. Detectives with the Major Investigations Bureau interviewed Boma who confessed to all three violent crimes. Boma was ultimately arrested for Second Degree Felony Aggravated Assault and two counts of First Degree Felony Aggravated Robbery. He is currently being held at the Taylor County Jail with bonds pending magistration. No further investigative updates are expected.



Respectfully,

Sergeant John Ramirez
Public Information Officer

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